



PATENTS  
130017-0010

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re The Application of: )  
Michael F. Morganelli et al. )

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

Serial No.: 09/483,759 )

Filed: January 14, 2000 )

Art Unit: 2763

For: Method and Apparatus for Detecting )  
and Resolving Circular Flow Paths in )  
Graphical Programming Systems )

Cesari and McKenna, LLP  
88 Black Falcon Avenue  
Boston, MA 02210  
February 13, 2004

"Express Mail" Mailing-Label Number: EV335586448US

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**INFORMATION-DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

In keeping with the duty of candor and good faith owed to the Patent and Trade-mark Office, Applicants wish to bring to the Examiner's attention the references listed on the accompanying form PTO-1449. A copy of each listed reference is enclosed.

To the extent required by 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(3), Applicants have described what they consider to be the relevance of any foreign-language reference. The Office may find additionally relevant material in these or other references.

**RECEIVED**

FEB 23 2004

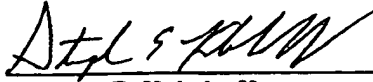
**GROUP 3600**

PATENTS  
130017-0010

Please charge any additional fee occasioned by this paper to our Deposit Account

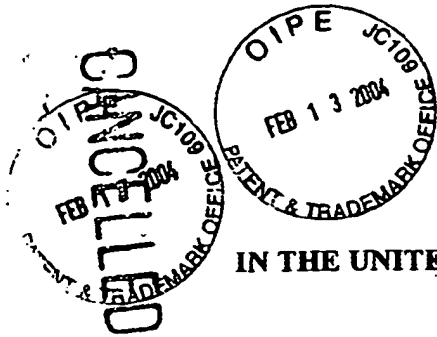
No. 03-1237.

Respectfully submitted,



---

Stephen E. Kabakoff  
Reg. No. 51,276  
CESARI AND MCKENNA, LLP  
88 Black Falcon Avenue  
Boston, MA 02210-2414  
(617) 951-2500



02-17-04

2763  
2161  
PATENTS  
130017-0010

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re The Application of: )  
Michael F. Morganelli et al. )

Serial No.: 09/483,759 )

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

Filed: January 14, 2000 )

Art Unit: 2763

For: Method and Apparatus for Detecting )  
and Resolving Circular Flow Paths in )  
Graphical Programming Systems )

Cesari and McKenna, LLP  
88 Black Falcon Avenue  
Boston, MA 02210  
February 13, 2004

**EXPRESS-MAIL DEPOSIT**

"Express Mail" Mailing-Label Number: EV 335 586 448 US

The following papers are being deposited with the United States Postal Service  
"Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.10:

X Information Disclosure Statement

X PTO-1449 and Copies of References

RECEIVED  
FEB 23 2004  
GROUP 3600



Please type (plus sign) inside this box



PTO/SB/08A (08-00)

Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0851-0031  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number

Substitute for form 1449A/PTO

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(use as many sheets as necessary)

### Complete if Known

Application Number	09/483,759
Filing Date	January 14, 2000
First Named Inventor	Michael F. Morganelli et al.
Group Art Unit	Not yet Assigned
Examiner Name	Not Yet Assigned
Attorney Docket Number	130017-0010

Sheet

of

### OTHER PRIOR ART - NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials *	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	T <sup>2</sup>
		Zhang et al., "The Role of Graphics in Parallel Program Development", Journal of Visual Languages and Computing, 1999, pp. 215-243	
		Grundy et al., "Visual Specification of Multi-View Visual Environments, IEEE Symposium on Visual Languages, 1998	

Examiner  
Signature

Date  
Considered

\* EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.


<sup>1</sup> Unique citation designation number. <sup>2</sup> Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

RECEIVED

FEB 23 2004

GROUP 3600



Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0851-0031  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

# INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(use as many sheets as necessary)

Sheet

04

Application Number

**Complete if Known**

09/483,759

Filing Date

January 14, 2000

**First Named Inventor**

Michael F. Morganelli et al.

### Group Art Unit

**Not yet Assigned**

**Examiner Name**

**Not Yet Assigned**

Attorney Docket Number

130017-0010

[illegible]

RECEIVED

FEB 23 2004

**GROUP 3600**

[illegible]

**Examiner  
Signature**

Nader El

Date Considered

9-3-04

\*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 809. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

<sup>1</sup> Unique citation designation number. <sup>2</sup> See attached Kinds of U.S. Patent Documents. <sup>3</sup> Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). <sup>4</sup> For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. <sup>5</sup> Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. <sup>6</sup> Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

**Burden Hour Statement:** This form is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. **DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO:** Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.